

Reed Lake's Big Show

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It Will Comprise the World's
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Arena—Grand Open-
ing Saturday
June 11.

Michigan gave birth to the champion billiardist of the world, Grand Rapids has the finest street car service in the universe, and now comes Reed's lake with a greater than P. T. Barnum to the amusement arena, whose name is Jim Travis. Though young to the circus world, Jim has been for many years on the road in the amusement field, and is as thoroughly in touch with the public demand as any showman afloat or ashore. He has projected at Reed's lake something unique, edifying and amusing. The entertainment will be emphatically a moral exhibition of athletes and comic features. Enough of the playings will be devoted to gratify the popular demand for high grade gymnastics, while track, songs, dances and legerdemain will be supplied to amuse the children and excite the wonder of older heads. In Mr. Travis' announcement to the public, he says:

Mr. Travis' Card.
In presenting this attraction to my friends and the public in general, I feel safe in saying that I have the best show on earth for the price and the size, and I value my reputation too highly to mislead the public and certainly intend to produce all I advertise. While it is not the intent of this show to be confined to one ring and you will not be compelled to strain your eyes to get a portion of the performance in three rings and you will see everything as advertised. Occasions of pure fun. Fifty times more for the money than ever before given the wise and good patrons everywhere. Trusting that I have sufficiently informed you in these few lines of my intentions.

I remain, yours as ever,
JIM TRAVIS.

Special Features.
That Mr. Travis is determined to furnish the best amusement that money can secure is shown by the fact that he has engaged the world-famous bareback rider, James Melville, whose daring feats of horsemanship have won the plaudits of delighted thousands throughout the civilized world. Mr. Melville will arrive in the city Tuesday, and old showmen admit that he is today the greatest riding attraction before the public. Melville commands an enormous salary, and although many circus proprietors bid high for him for his services, Mr. Travis bid higher and secured him. Mr. Travis also announces that he has secured a contortionist, whose feats will cause all other so-called contortionists to turn green with envy. It is stated that this man can put himself so completely out of joint that his own mother would fail to recognize him. As a special attraction for the ladies and children Mr. Travis has secured Jerry, the most accomplished and diminutive Shetland trick pony that the world has ever known. This pony is certain to cause screams of laughter and delight from the little ones.

The long list of novel and curious features which Mr. Travis proposes introducing into his entertainment comprises nearly every unique and amusing performance known to the tented show. Star performers of every specialty known to the professional classes will be engaged to appear, and nothing that wide experience can suggest or money obtain will be omitted. There may be larger shows on the wide earth than Jim Travis' Reed's lake exhibition, but there are no better selected and conducted, and none of greater promise. For the past week the available space for bills and announcements about the city streets and suburbs have been resplendent with the circus pictures announcing the opening of the Travis show on Saturday, June 11. The main pavilion is situated at the lake near the electric railway loop and convenient of access to all visitors. At 11 a. m. of the opening day a grand parade will be made through the principal business streets of the city, when the public will be more fully made aware of the full list and line of attractions with which Mr. Travis will start the ball rolling.

The show going people of the city in particular and the entire population of the city in general will rejoice to learn of this novel enterprise of Mr. Travis and to wish for general Jim that full measure of success and profit which is undertaking richly deserved. The exhibition will fill a long felt want in the amusement field of the city, and it will not fail to be richly patronized.

The Fact Is

Coming now to a consideration of the direct causes which led up to the degrading lives and many local disorders. We find that the germs of the disorders are to be found in the impure water which many families are using which are depending upon the city supply. The flooded condition of the country, the finished condition of the sewers and the general surface waste has carried off a vast deposit of decayed and putrid animal and vegetable matter into the river and from there it has been pumped into the city system. Of course it is rankly poisonous, and imperils the health of consumers. It is for this reason that the physicians are recommending the disease of the city water and are advising everyone to use some one of the many bottled waters of known merit for family drinking. All are agreed that the best of those are the St. Louis, the Bethesda, the Cold Spring (Me.), and the Hawthorne. These four are the best of all and are universally endorsed by the medical profession. They are health-preservers and save doctors' bills. Elkhart & Co., the leading grocers, have the handling of these in this city.

Half the usual price. A Turkish bath at 30 cents this week—corner Monroe and Ionia streets.

They are now open, Captain Wente's new parlor bath, under the Cadillac, Waterloo street.

Stockholders Meeting.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Grand Rapids Chair company for the election of directors, and such other business, will be held at the company's office, No. 300 Canal street, on Tuesday at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, June 21, 1902. Signed
E. H. Fourn, Secretary.

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TWO COURTROOM STORIES.

HIS NAME WASN'T MENTIONED.

Jim Webster was being tried for trying to bribe a colored witness, Sam Johnson, to testify falsely.

"You say this defendant offered you a bribe of fifty dollars to testify in his behalf," said Lawyer Gouge to Johnson.

"Yes, sah."

"Now repeat precisely what he said, using his own words."

"He said he would give me fifty dollars if I—"

"He can't have used those words. He didn't speak as a third person."

"No, sah; he tuck good keer dat dar was no third person present. Dar was only two—us two. De defendant am too smart ter had anybody list'nin when he am talking about his own reekity."

"I know that well enough, but he spoke to you in the first person, didn't he?"

"I was de fust person myself."

"You don't understand me. When he was talking to you did he use the words, 'I will pay you fifty dollars'?"

"No, boss; he didn't say nothin' about you payin me fifty dollars. Yore name wasn't mentioned, 'ceptin dat he tole me ef ober I got inter a scrape dat you was de best lawyer in San Antonio to fool de judge and jury—in fac', you was de best lawyer in de town fer coverin up any kind of reekity."

"You can step down."

FORCE OF HABIT.

In the county court at Toronto may be seen a venerable tar, who has found a haven in these legal precincts as a subordinate officer after having been tossed on the ocean for many a year in "her majesty's" service. Not long ago, when the hour for adjourning a sitting of the court had arrived the crier was absent, and the judge, turning to the quondam mariner, said, "Captain, adjourn the court." Trained to prompt obedience, the "captain" shouted in stentorian tones, "Oh yest oh yest oh yest!" But of the mystic formula no more came to his command.

Not to be foiled in the discharge of duty, he proceeded in his own fashion: "Ladies and gentlemen, you may consider this here court adjourned. Clew up your sails and heave the anchor. You must all be here at 10 o'clock Monday morning. We will then weigh anchor and make sail. God save the queen!" Astonished silence held all present for a moment, and then gave way to a peal of laughter, in which even "the court" was compelled to join.—Green Bag.

The Girl Who Loved Him So.

"Ha, ha!" said Chappie Fitzgerald, and he laughed in ghastly glee. "I'm making love to a dozen girls, but none shall marry me. I sigh to them and lie to them and fall upon my knees. As I twist their trusting hearts about precisely as I please."

And the parlor clock Boast on, tick, tock. And the gaslight flickered low.

As he waited and held his hat for the girl who loved him so.

And when she'd finished her old gold hair and painted her faded face, She was a vision fresh and fair, with comely, childlike grace.

"Poor, unsuspecting soul!" thought he, "she little dreams that I fill on from but to bid as does the careless butterfly."

And the parlor clock Boast on, tick, tock. And the gaslight flickered low.

As he somehow planned to hold the hand of the girl who loved him so.

And when the proper time arrived he fell upon his knees, And words he wished to emphasize he'd give her hand a squeeze;

There was no one near his tale to hear, so he told her of his love.

As one and pure and constant as the stars that shine above.

And the parlor clock Boast on, tick, tock. And the gaslight flickered low.

And the sweetly smiling, dim the glistening child—the girl who loved him so.

The world went round, and by and by he tired of her love.

'Twas then that she reminded him the stars still shone above.

And into the corner the photograph and the photograph were brought.

And the gay young man threw up the sponge, for he saw that he was caught.

And the parlor clock Boast on, tick, tock. And the gaslight flickered low.

And the gentle all came and he gave his name to the girl who loved him so.

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For the time each word was clearly caught in her soft photograph.

And when he knelt before her she a button gently pressed.

And her photographic camera in silence did the rest.

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